

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

News from Everywhere.

The Auditor's Department of the Southern Pacific Railroad is being removed from Houston, Tex., to New Orleans.

A meeting of the National Prison Association of the United States will be held in Detroit, Mich., October 17th to 21st.

It is said Bismarck and the Crown Prince Frederick Wilhelm disagree on the policy to pursue in the trouble with Spain.

The police of St. Petersburg have been ordered to renew the measures of stringency adopted during the darkest days of nihilism.

It is reported that the Sultan will not agree to the main proposal of Sir Henry Drummond Wolff regarding the occupation of Egypt.

W. H. McLean and wife of Mount Pleasant, Tex., have sent the Western Union Telegraph Company for \$5,000 for non-delivery of a message.

Germany proposes, if Spain refuses arbitration on the Carlist matter, to ask a conference of European governments and the United States.

Those who pretend to know say there will not be a general strike along the Union Pacific, and that Wyoming will soon be an entirely free Chinese miners.

The Miners' Association and the Knights of Labor have arrived at an understanding, and the strike in Pennsylvania will be supported by both organizations.

The Columbia Rolling Mill, at Lancaster, Pa., operating ten furnaces and one heating furnace, was started up on the 14th after a long suspension, giving employment to several hundred hands.

Fifty-two active members were present at the annual session of the Supreme Council, thirty-third degree, A. A. Scottish Rite for the Northern Jurisdiction of the United States, held at Boston on the 16th.

The Director-General of the North, Central and South American Exposition states that the buildings, grounds, etc., are now ready in every particular for the reception of exhibits, and exhibitors are requested to forward articles at once.

The Board of Naval Officers appointed to consider plans for the construction of the new naval vessels met at the Navy Department on the 14th. The board expects to have the report ready to submit to Secretary Whitney within a couple of weeks.

Prairie fires have raged in the vicinity of Bismarck, Dak., with unusual fierceness. At least fifty farmers are burned out of crops and houses. Losses range from \$1,000 to \$3,000 each. The aggregate loss is over \$75,000. There has been some loss of human life.

The London morning papers of the 17th contained column obituaries lamenting the death of Jumbo. The Telegraph, over its report of the death and history of the famous elephant, displayed large headlines reading "Sad End of Jumbo." "Killed by a Collision with a Railroad Train."

Lieutenant Geo. M. Stoney, commanding the expedition to Alaska, reports to the Secretary of the Navy, under date of July 17th, his arrival at Hotham Inlet on July 11th. He was to start on the day of writing with the larger part of his stores for the head waters of Putnam River.

At the Cabinet meeting on the 15th the policy of the Government in the silver question was discussed. No definite action appears to have been taken. It is probable that the matter will be further considered when the Cabinet meets on Friday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

The small-pox epidemic continues to spread at Montreal, and the number of cases is so large that the authorities refuse to furnish information to the press. The opposition of the French Canadian citizens to all sanitary precautions is largely responsible for the terrible condition of affairs.

The second boat of the international yacht race, between the Puritan and Genesta, was sailed on the 16th, and after an exciting contest was gallantly won by the Puritan; and so the American crew still remains on the west side of the Atlantic and the superiority of the center-board craft is maintained.

Colonel Alex. McDonald and Lieutenant R. W. Grosbeck of the Sixth Infantry, have been detached to meet at Ogden, Utah, the Chinese Commissioners from San Francisco to investigate the difficulties which recently occurred at Rock Springs, Wyo., and to act as their escort during the investigation.

The bulk of the mails over many of the Star routes running through New Mexico has been so largely increased owing to the terms of the postal convention between the United States and Mexico providing for the exchange of mails, that the contractors are becoming clamorous for increased compensation.

Official returns show that thirty-three per cent. of the deaths from small-pox at Montreal are French Canadians who are averse to vaccination. Of the 128 deaths from small-pox in that city last week, 108 were French Canadians, and thirty per cent. of the death rate is among children from one to five years old.

Furnace No. 1 of the Reading (Pa.) Iron Works, which had been idle over two years, was started up on the 14th, giving employment to about sixty hands. The Keystone Iron Works, which have been idle for a year and a half, will start up in two or three weeks. The works give employment to several hundred hands.

Naval Cadet Henry A. Wiley, of Texas, a member of the second-class at the Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md., has been dismissed for having Louis Driggs, of South Carolina, a candidate for naval cadet. Wiley was the leader of a gang of cadets that clubbed Driggs and his nose and slapped his face several days ago when Driggs had entered the Academy.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

ALEXANDRIA, Egypt, has quarantined against vessels coming from Italian ports on account of cholera.

A FIRE at Nashville, Tenn., on the 16th consumed 4,000,000 feet of lumber, the Southern Pine Company's mill, Rhea & Son's grain elevator, the gas works, an ice factory and other property. Loss, \$200,000; insurance, \$101,000.

The Mexican Congress convened on the 16th, and the railway representatives expected that a recommendation restoring the subsidies will be made.

A TRAIN of the North Shore line of the Grand Trunk Railway to the Canadian Pacific, has been arranged.

Dr. L. D. Down, a well-known dentist at Davenport, Ia., attempted suicide the night of the 15th by shooting himself in the chest. He was still living, but his recovery was doubtful.

The body of Charles Hays, aged seventy-eight, was found hanging in his barn at Davenport, Ia., on the 15th. He was a prosperous farmer, and no cause is known for the suicide.

The Democratic conference of the Nineteenth Congressional District of Pennsylvania met at Mt. Holy Springs on the 16th and unanimously nominated John A. Swope, of Gettysburg, the present incumbent.

At Butte, Mont., on the 17th, three lives were lost by a mine accident.

It is reported that the Baltimore & Ohio Railway Company will build a new line from New York to Chicago.

The subject of Sunday labor in Germany is being officially investigated.

The ninth annual reunion of the Army of the Potomac was held at Fort Monmouth, O., on the 17th.

GENERAL OBERHITZ has been decorated with the Black Eagle by Emperor William.

The procession at the Louisville (Ky.) tobacco celebration on the 17th is reported to have been eight miles long.

JOHN MORLEY says "separation would be a disaster to Ireland and a disgrace to England."

A COLLISION on the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad on the 17th caused an oil fire which resulted in \$15,000 loss.

The Dublin paper, *United Ireland*, makes savage threats contingent on the carrying out of Chamberlain's policy.

The stock of nails at Pittsburgh, Pa., and the West has been almost exhausted by the long strike of the nailers.

CORNER 18th is the date to which riot was reprieved so that his appeal could be heard by the Imperial Privy Council.

A BANQUET was given on the 17th to the delegates to the International Telegraph Conference by Dr. Stephen, President of the meeting, and the latter was presented with a costly punch-bowl, made of silver and crystal.

REPRESENTATIVE WARNER, of Ohio, is in Washington in connection with his proposed silver compromise bill.

AFTER the suppression of a free fight at a political meeting at Paris, on the 17th, a fusion of the Orléanists and Bonapartists was effected.

At the election for School Commissioners at Binghamton, N. Y., on the 17th, the women generally voted, and the scenes at the polls were novel.

The shaft of the Oakwell colliery at Inkstone, England, was blocked by an accident on the 17th, and 200 miners were entombed. It was thought they would all be saved.

An unknown tug-boat collided with the schooner *Elwin Post* at New York on the 17th. The schooner sank immediately, carrying down the steward and captain.

JAMES CLOUGH of the California Superior Court became insane and resigned. His wife was appointed guardian. Then Clough recovered, had no recollection of resigning, and the court is all tangled up.

By the upsetting of a yacht near Lancaster, Ont., on the 17th, three persons were thrown into the water and after regaining the yacht and floating at night two of them died from exposure.

The hide and leather convention will be held at the Hotel Hamilton at Cleveland, O., on the 17th, and the committee will open the bids for building the monument September 24th.

Dr. J. B. Hamilton has tendered his resignation as Surgeon-General of the Marine Hospital service, to take effect November 1st, but is willing to remain in service with the rank of surgeon.

It is reported that he will be stationed at Chicago.

BERNARD STEINBERG, alias Louis Brown, the Chicago jewelry thief, has been sentenced to three years in the Penitentiary at London, Ontario, for carrying stolen property into the Dominion.

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SALLIE McDONALD of Boyle County, Kentucky, is reported to have been relieved of a serious spinal complaint by the prayer cure.

INDICTMENTS against Oklahoma boomers who have complied with the President's order by vacating are to be quashed.

An earthquake shook up things in the vicinity of Naples on the 18th.

SAN FRANCISCO has quarantined against Pacific Mexican ports, for fever, and declared certain ports of China and Japan to be cholera infected.

FIFTY pounds of powder in an iron chest exploded at Wilmington, N. C., on the 18th. Charles Smith was badly burned and all the windows in the vicinity were broken.

STREY ROSENFELD has brought suit against D'Oyley Carte for \$51,000 damages in restraining him from bringing out "The Mikado." The question has just been settled in New York that the play is public property.

In the yacht races at New York on the 18th the Genesta won the Douglas cup for cutters and sloops, and the Grayling won the Bennett cup for schooners.

MIAMI UNIVERSITY, at Oxford, O., was reopened the evening of the 17th, after having been closed for thirteen years.

The event was celebrated by fireworks, a procession and a public meeting.

The British Parliament has been prorogued until December 31st.

There were 831 new cases of cholera reported throughout Spain on the 18th. The death roll numbered 331.

A MEETING of the Ohio River Commission is called for the 23rd of September at Pittsburgh, Pa.

Another sawdust swindle has been exposed in New York and a runner convicted, but the principals escaped.

M. LEBAN, special Russian envoy to England on the Afghan dispute, has returned to St. Petersburg.

The White House door-keeper denied knowing Governor Marmaduke of Missouri when he called the other day, but recognized his walking stick.

MR. GLADSTONE'S manifesto causes disappointment in Dublin, and also among the Liberals.

PETER RUDOLPH NEFF succeeds Colonel George Ward Nichols as President of the Cincinnati College of Music.

IMPERIAL silver medals will be conferred on the Canadian troops engaged in suppressing the riot rebellion.

The Virginia tobacco crop is reported to be suffering from drought.

FR. SOMERHAUS, who edits two newspapers in Rome, Italy, after a trial lasting thirteen days on a charge of black-mailing Italian artists, has been found guilty and sentenced to ten years' imprisonment.

JOHN FIRZ, who has heretofore stood well among the German citizens of Baltimore, Md., was collector for a large brewery, has left the city, it is supposed, for Canada, with \$75 of the funds of his employer. He leaves a family, but is said to be accompanied by a woman.

The Princess of Wales on the 18th founded a new English Church in Copenhagen, dedicated to St. Alban. Members of the Danish and other royal families were present on the occasion.

The employees of the Woonsocket (R. I.) Rubber Works have been notified that the works will shut down September 25th for an indefinite time. The reason given is the large amounts of goods on hand.

The populace of Palermo, Sicily, have become panic-stricken, owing to the prevalence of cholera there, and are fleeing from the town. There is a great scarcity of food and the people of Naples are sending money and provisions for the relief of the sufferers.

The special Grand Jury convened at Warsaw, N. Y., to consider the case of the Atlantic bank robber, found three bills, one for robbery and two for assault with intent to kill Cashier Barrows and Postmaster Lorish. He pleaded guilty to the first charge and Judge Lewis sentenced him to twenty years on the first bill and ten years on the second. He is twenty-one years old.

The Delaware and Hudson freight depot, two New Jersey Central freight cars and the warehouse of the Glen's Falls Paper Mill Company at Glen's Falls, N. Y., were destroyed by fire the morning of the 18th. The loss on the freight depot and cars is \$100,000; the loss of the warehouse is \$100,000; insurance, \$300,000.

The brig *Georgia*, of Nassau, which arrived in New York on the 18th, sailed on an Aspinwall for New York, with a crew of nine persons, all told, but on account of sickness put in to Old Providence, where the Captain, mate and two other men died and all were sick except two men. She sailed August 23d for New York with a crew of eleven men. She had four sick men on board and was quarantined.

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SOUTHERN GLEANINGS.

Senator M. C. Butler, of South Carolina, attended the dedication of the Perry monument at Newport, R. I. He is a grandson of M. C. Perry, a cousin of the famous Commodore.

A colored woman named Johnson, 115 years old, arrived at Louisville, Ky., a few days since, from New Orleans, to see a daughter from whom she had been separated fifty years.

The carriage in which Jefferson Davis, Alex. H. Stephens, Howell Cobb, President of the Confederate States Senate, and Governor Moore rode to the Capitol when Mr. Davis took the oath as President of the Confederacy, was made in Connecticut and is still preserved in Montgomery, Ala.

A number of miscegenationists in Fairfield County, South Carolina, have been visited at their homes recently by a band of masked "regulators," who whipped them severely and ordered them to leave at once for their parts.

Mrs. Martha Luna, a wealthy lady, was assaulted at her home in Lebanon, Tenn., a few days ago, by an unknown person, who struck her with a heavy stone, the blow fracturing her skull. Her recovery is extremely doubtful.

Robert Bean, a well-known Atlanta (Ga.) printer, while in a bar-room, a few nights ago, swallowed enough chloroform to kill several men and it was thought he could not recover. He was Secretary of the Atlanta Typographical Union.

Robert N. Groves, lately Ordinary of Habersham County, Georgia, has been convicted and sentenced for complicity in the burglary of the county safe, which was done to destroy evidence of irregularities.

In Rome, Ga., there is not a man on the police force who uses intoxicating liquors, and all except one are church-members.

There is a society in Memphis, Tenn., the object of which is to furnish coffins to its members at greatly reduced prices.

The health of the people of Charleston, S. C., has been much improved since the introduction of a public supply of artificial well water.

A boiler in a millinery & Eislefeld's brewery at Henderson, Ky., exploded a few days ago, and six men who were in the engine-room asleep had a miraculous escape.

A fire at Nashville, Tenn., a few days ago destroyed the extensive works of the Southern Pump Company and about six days' stock of lumber, causing a loss of \$25,000, and depriving two hundred men of employment.

While John Hazewood was cutting trees near Ashland City, Tenn., a few days ago, a limb struck him and dashed out his brains. His son was also struck and fatally injured.

Nor Cook Creek, Tenn., recently, the body of Samuel Ogles, a wealthy farmer, was found in a ravine, apparently murdered, the head being almost entirely severed from the body. Two white women are under arrest for the murder.

Isidore S. Leclerc, a native of the French settlement of St. George's, Mo., died at Galveston, Tex., a few days ago, aged seventy years. Mr. Leclerc was well known through Texas, having settled in Galveston in 1838, and for nearly thirty years was Secretary of the Wharf Company.

Duncan Urquhart, an employee of the Singer Sewing Machine Company, was killed at San Antonio, Tex., a few days ago, by a falling limb. Urquhart was well known through Texas, having settled in Galveston in 1838, and for nearly thirty years was Secretary of the Wharf Company.

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